



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant(s): Weiping Shao  
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Title: SUPPRESSION OF CROSS-REACTIVITY AND NON-SPECIFIC  
BINDING BY ANTIBODIES USING PROTEIN A  
Docket No: 469290-76

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**Request for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicants request that the time for filing the Appeal Brief for the Above-referenced application be extended from 27 April 2004 to 27 August 2004, for a total of four months pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) (fee of \$1480.00 for a small entity paid herein by check). Applicants request that the Commissioner charge any additional fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for this extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Acct. No. 03-0678.

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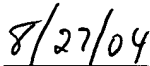
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